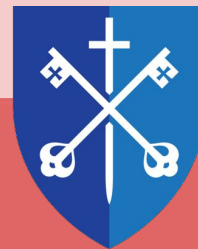


Beech Class, Spring 1 Newsletter



Teacher: Miss Brown

PPA Cover: Mrs Shadbolt / SENCO Cover: Mrs Napier

Dear Year 2 families,

Welcome back to school for the Spring Term! The children made great progress last term and we have lots of engaging learning planned in our class this term which I am really looking forward to.

We have also welcomed our new Headteacher, Mrs Watts, this term!

Miss Brown

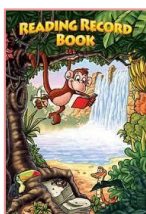
Changes to PE and Forest School

Due to the cold weather this term and the Forest School site needing to rest, the children will **not** be doing Forest School for at least the next half term. This therefore means that we will be back to having two PE lessons per week: these will now be on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**.

As always, PE kits should be kept in school for the whole half term so that children are able to take part in extra activities and enrichment days. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit, including trainers.

PLEASE BRING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY...

Reading record



Water bottle

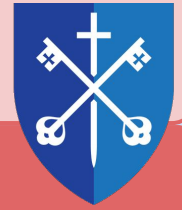


Reading books will be changed once they have been read 2-3 times. 'Reading for Pleasure' books can be changed as frequently as the children choose!

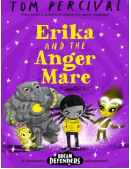
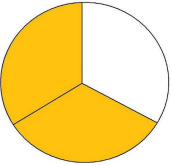
READING AND HOMEWORK

- As reading is such an important skill, we do expect children to read at home **daily**. Please record this in your child's reading record.
- Each **Thursday**, your child will bring home 10 spellings and a Maths activity (consolidating what we have been learning in class) in their homework folder.
- Homework should be handed in on (or before) the following Thursday.

Curriculum Map: Spring 1



What are we learning this half term?

English 	This term we will be writing defeating the monster stories , and non-fiction biographies . We will use these text types to develop our skills in using punctuation, description of senses, and past tense verbs. Our class book is 'Erika and the Angermare' by Tom Percival.
Maths 	As well as practising the arithmetic skills we learnt last term, we will be covering statistics, fractions and shape this half term. In Big Maths, we will focus on counting forwards and backwards within 100, and learning the 3 x table .
Science	A brand new Physics topic added to our Year 2 curriculum this year... we will be learning all about sound!
History	We will learn about Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria , comparing their lives and what it was like to live under their rule.
PE	Miss Brown will be teaching Dance , and Mrs Napier will be teaching Ball Skills .
RE	We will be answering the question "How do some Muslims show Allah is compassionate and merciful?"
PSHE	Our topic is ' Dreams and Goals ', where we learn about what success can look like and how we can work towards achieving the goals that we set for ourselves.
Art / D&T	In Art, we will be creating portraits . In D&T, we will be making jam tarts!
Computing	We are learning lots about online safety (to link in with Safer Internet Day in February), as well as learning the basic skills in creating spreadsheets .
Music	We will be exploring feelings through music.